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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Tatsuhiko SHIRAKAWA, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2818
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Serial No.: 10/796,029) Examiner: Le, Thao P.
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Filed: March 10, 2004)
) Confirmation No.: 2159
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR)
THE SAME)
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement mailed March 1, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups of claims: Group I, comprising claims 1-10, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a semiconductor device; and Group II, comprising claims 11-20, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a process of making a semiconductor device. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-10, without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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